

August 1, 2008

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of
Federal-State Universal Service

Palmerton Telephone Company and
North-Eastern Pennsylvania Telephone
Company

Petition for Waiver of Section 54.301(e)(1):
Date for True-Ups of 2006 Local Switching
Support Data

Docket Nos. 96-45; WC 08-71

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I enclose the Ex Parte Filing of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PaPUC) supporting those Comments and Reply Comments which urge the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to grant the Petition for Waiver of Section 54.301(e)(1) filed by Palmerton Telephone Company and North-Eastern Pennsylvania Telephone Company (Palmerton Petition). This Ex Parte Filing was filed electronically with the FCC and served electronically and by first class mail on the parties of record.

Sincerely Yours,

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Enclosure

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